

**SPECIAL MEETING  
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN  
(PUBLIC PARTICIPATION)**

**April 18, 2006**

**7:00 PM**

Mayor Guinta called the meeting to order.

Mayor Guinta called for the Pledge of Allegiance, this function being led by Alderman Forest.

The Clerk called the roll. There were fourteen Aldermen present.

Present: Aldermen Roy, Gatsas, Long, Duval, Osborne, Pinard, O’Neil,  
Lopez, Shea, DeVries, Garrity, Smith, Thibault and Forest

Mayor Guinta advised that the purpose of the of the special meeting is to give residents of Manchester the opportunity to address the Board on items of concern affecting the community; that each person will be given only one opportunity to speak; that comments shall be limited to three minutes to allow all participants the opportunity to speak and any comments must be directed to the Chair.

Mayor Guinta requested that any resident wishing to speak come forward to the nearest microphone, clearly state their name and address when recognized, and give their comments.

Mayor Guinta recognized Alderman Shea.

Alderman Shea stated in about the year 1993 a young man, a young child as it were entered Hallsville School and this particular young person spent the second, third, fourth and fifth grades at Hallsville School and during that time this particular young man showed great skill in reading, language arts...but most especially he showed a devotion to this sister and to his brother and he had a wonderful mother who looked after these three children...later on she had two more. During the past week we were notified that this young man grew into a man and when he grew into a man he enlisted in the United States Army and after enlisting in the army he was sent over to a trouble spot called Iraq and this young man gave his life for his country and I can’t tell you enough and I can’t tell the public enough how much devotion he showed towards his younger brother Steve and his sister Sara and also how much love his Mom had for all of the children that she and a very trying situation raised these children. So, I would like for my fellow colleagues to say well done, George you good and faithful servant. No greater love a man has than he lays down his life for another. Thank you, your Honor.

Maureen Molly Lee Sherman (Ward 3), stated:

We need a crosswalk...I'm asking for a crosswalk by Vista Foods (west side) on McGregor Street and a pedestrian walk lights on Elm Street near Pappy's Restaurant and the Health Department intersection...those two things. Thank you.

Julia Estelle Ferrer, stated:

I'm here to update you a little on what has resulted from February 28<sup>th</sup> regarding a discussion with Mr. LaFreniere and Mr. Kula. Mr. Kula informed me approximately six weeks ago that they would be meeting in the conference room at the Building Department and I have not yet heard when that appointment will be. I have a concern for a citizen of this community...her name is Betty Ann Baron...she has been physically, mentally and financially assaulted by an estranged sister-in-law and a former neighbor...I had to get a restraining order this past week and the very night that this was got the restraining order she showed up at Betty's house...Betty wasn't home but her neighbors saw her and wrote down her description. This woman has perpetrated financial fraud against her with her social security...ID theft...she had the nerve to go social security say she was Betty Baron and get money that did not belong to her and yet the Police will not do anything about protecting this woman. A neighbor called, Betty called and I went in person and asked to speak with an officer and I was not permitted to do so. I'm asking this Board to please consider the potential of this woman who is disabled, she has a speech impediment...she cant' make herself understood clearly and I am really concerned that she is going to end up on the front page of *The Union Leader* like that man did last summer when he was beaten almost to death and my last question is when administration's change they ought to tell the community what the former administration spent on taxpayer money on programs...is that possible to ascertain?

Mayor Guinta replied we can get that for you. Thank you.

Cliff Crowley...

Mayor Guinta stated Mr. Crowley did speak with me and asked that I convey the issue that he wanted to bring before the Board. He is still concerned about noise violations in the city. If you may remember he brought to our attention I think over the last couple of years loud noises that are coming from different cars and vehicles and he asked me if we could, as a Board, follow up with the Police Department and see what kind of enforcement issues are being taken. I did mention that I think it was Alderman DeVries or someone else who had talked about trying to put some additional enforcement money in the budget through CIP. He was comfortable with that status update but I did tell him I'd talk with the Police Chief and I would speak with him in one weeks time to give him a more formal idea of what we are doing so he said that fine for him and didn't need to speak.

Alderman DeVries stated just for clarification because the CIP line item has existed for the last two budget cycles...it was an oversight...I have asked CIP to reinstate that this

year...that is to deal with not only the noise enforcement but also to deal with speed enforcement in residential neighborhoods...it's been quite a successful program. Thank you.

On motion of Alderman Long, duly seconded by Alderman Duval, it was voted to take all comments under advisement and further to receive and file any written documentation presented.

This being a special meeting of the Board, no further business was presented and on motion of Alderman Thibault, duly seconded by Alderman Garrity, it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.

City Clerk